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Senate

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The Senate met at 9 a.m., on the expiration of the recess, and was called to order by the President pro tempore [Mr. Thurmond].

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Dr. Lloyd John Ogilvie, offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, our day is filled with challenges and decisions. In the quiet of this magnificent moment of conversation with You we dedicate this day. We want to live it to Your glory.

We praise You that it is Your desire to give Your presence and blessings to those who ask You. You give strength and power to Your people when we seek You above anything else. You guide the humble and teach them Your way. Help us to humble ourselves as we begin this day so that no self-serving agenda or self-aggrandizing attitude will block Your blessings to us or to our Nation through us. Speak to us so that we may speak with both the tenor of Your truth and the tone of Your grace.

Make us maximum by Your Spirit for the demanding responsibilities and relationships of this day. We say with the Psalmist, "God, be merciful to us and bless us, and cause Your face to shine upon us, that Your way may be known on earth, Your salvation among the nations."—Psalm 67:1–2. Amen.

RECOGNITION OF THE ACTING MAJORITY LEADER

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The acting majority leader is recognized. Mr. LOTT. Thank you, Mr. President.

SCHEDULE

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, this morning the leader time has been reserved and the Senate will resume consideration of S. 1026, the Department of Defense authorization bill. Under the order, Senator DORGAN is to be recognized to offer an amendment regarding

the national missiles defense. That amendment is limited to a 90-minute time limitation. Therefore, Senators may anticipate a rollcall vote at approximately at 10:30 a.m. if all debate time is used. Additional rollcall votes are expected throughout the day today and the Senate is expected to remain in session into the evening.

I yield the floor, Mr. President, so that Senator DORGAN and others might be recognized.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 1996

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. ASHCROFT). Under the previous order, the Senate will now resume consideration of S. 1026, which the clerk will report.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 1026) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1996 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

Mr. EXON addressed the Chair.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. Dorgan] is recognized to offer an amendment on which there shall be 90 minutes for debate equally divided.

Mr. EXON. Mr. President, may I inquire of the Senator from North Dakota? The Senator from Nebraska has been attempting to make an opening statement with regard to the measure before us. I am wondering, after the Senator from North Dakota has made the presentation under the unanimous-consent agreement, if both sides would agree to the Senator from Nebraska having 10 minutes for an opening statement on the overall measure without being charged to the time under the

control by the majority or the minority.

Mr. DORGAN. Mr. President, if I might respond to the Senator from Nebraska, I have no objection. But my understanding is that the 9 to 10:30 time period for this amendment would result in a vote at 10:30, and there are some leadership obligations that require that vote to occur at 10:30, and by unanimous consent we have limited debate to an hour and a half, 45 minutes to each side, on the amendment.

It might be the case that the Senator should give an opening presentation immediately after the vote at 10:30.

Mr. EXON. I thank the Senator. That does not happen to agree with the schedule of the Senator from Nebraska. But I will try again.

Thank you very much, Mr. President. Mr. DORGAN. Mr. President, I might say that I have no objection. But my understanding is that the 10:30 vote must occur at 10:30 because of some leadership obligations by previous agreement.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Mr. DORGAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Robert Russell, a fellow on detail from the Department of Energy, be allowed floor privileges during the debate of S. 1026.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

AMENDMENT NO. 2087

(Purpose: To reduce the amount authorized to be appropriated under Title II for national missile defense)

Mr. DORGAN. Mr. President, I send an amendment to the desk and ask for its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

The Senator from North Dakota [Mr. DOR-GAN], for himself, Mr. BRADLEY, Mr. LEAHY,

• This "bullet" symbol identifies statements or insertions which are not spoken by a Member of the Senate on the floor.

